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METHOD, LIGHT INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS

INCLUDING OPTICAL MODULATOR, IMAGE FORMATION APPARATUS INCLUDING OPTICAL MODULATOR, AND IMAGE PROJECTION AND

DISPLAY APPARATUS INCLUDING OPTICAL MODULATOR

STATUS REQUEST

Honorable Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks Alexandria, Virginia 22313

SIR:

The Patent Office is respectfully requested to advise the undersigned of the approximate date a first Official Action will be issued in this Application.

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